

LUMBERMEN IN CONVENTION

Annual Gathering of Nebraska Dealers in Omaha.

OMAHA CANNOT HAVE THE SECRETARYSHIP

Movement to Increase the Membership—Making Rules to Retain the Job from Prominent Retailing Outside Their Own Cities.

The Nebraska Lumber Dealers' association met in annual convention yesterday afternoon in Washington hall. The convention was called to order by the president, Mr. W. A. Freid of Lincoln. About one hundred members were present. The trade papers were all represented, and several prominent lumbermen from abroad were in attendance.

The secretary reported a membership of 127. The treasurer's report showed receipts for the year to the amount of \$908.34, and the disbursements were \$1,118.75, leaving a balance due the secretary on salary of \$215.41. A committee was appointed to audit the accounts of the treasurer and business was suspended during the interval in which the committee went out to prepare a report. The committee reported in a few minutes that after deducting the amount on hand and paid to the secretary, the balance of the year the association owed him \$109.45.

A long discussion arose over the action of the board of directors in allowing the secretary to initiate new members. A rather delicate matter was at the bottom of this movement. The real purpose was to elect some man to the position of secretary who had not resided in Omaha for some time. Mr. Colpetzer caught the idea and moved that the secretary be elected by the directors as usual, but that the directors be instructed not to select an Omaha man for secretary. He said that there was a feeling among members of the association that the secretary ought not to be a resident of this city because he was liable to be unduly influenced by the wholesalers here. The Omaha lumbermen could not afford to permit such a feeling to exist, and for one he hoped that such instructions would be given the board of directors as would wipe out this feeling completely. The resolution was carried.

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Hayden Bros. Fish.

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And a lot other kinds of fish too numerous to mention.

HAYDEN BROS., Grocers.

MORAL HOUSE CLEANING.

Mayor Bemis and Chief Sealey Shoulder

When the anti-vice crusaders went before the city council and demanded the strict enforcement of the laws against gambling, prostitution and Sunday liquor selling, they referred them to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners. When the question came to vote by the commissioners they were equally divided, and the mayor was compelled to break the tie, which he did by voting in the negative.

Mayor Bemis criticized the commissioners for shirking their duty, and expressed the opinion that they were trying to shift the responsibility to the shoulders of the mayor and the chief of police. Yesterday brought a new turn in the kaleidoscope. In the morning Chief Sealey issued the following order to the captains, sergeants and chief detective of his force:

You will please be vigilant and instruct your men to enforce the Sunday law and report to me in writing the names and places of violators of the law. You will also be vigilant in enforcing the city ordinances governing the selling of intoxicating liquors. You will cause the arrest of all persons found in violation of the law who may be found in wine rooms in any saloon in the city and charge them with being disorderly. You will also be vigilant in enforcing the law against the sale of wine in any saloon in the city, and report to me in writing, giving names, date, locality and full particulars of every violation of the law. You will also notify the proprietors of all disorderly houses that no free drinks nor free lunches will be allowed in any disorderly house, and that all disorderly houses must be closed and no one allowed inside on the Sabbath day.

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HOLDING BURGLARS AT BAY

Brave Nellie Gastright's Successful Encounter with Two Thieves.

HER UNLOADED REVOLVER KEPT THEM OFF

The Little Heroine Was Overpowered, but She Had Gained Her Victory—Last Payment on the Little Home Was Saved.

That Fritz Gastright was able to realize the dream of his life and pay the last dollar that he owed on his little home yesterday was due to the heroism of his 14-year-old daughter, Nellie, who braved resistance saved the house from being robbed by a gang of desperate thieves Monday night.

Gastright is a butcher employed in one of the meat packing establishments at South Omaha and for the past four years has been endeavoring to pay for the home which he occupied near Tenth and Bancroft streets. He had paid all but \$100 and had accumulated that amount in readiness for the final settlement, when he was to receive the long coveted deed to the property. Monday afternoon he quit work early and came to Omaha and drew the money from the bank, intending to make the payment the first thing yesterday.

Detected the prowlers.

It seems that some one had learned of his intention, and that the money would be in the house over night, for about 10 o'clock the cottage was entered by two unknown men, who very nearly succeeded in carrying away with the savings of the past six months. The money was deposited in a bureau drawer in a safe keeping, and in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Gastright went to South Omaha to spend the evening with some friends, taking the youngest child with them and leaving the house in charge of their daughter, Nellie.

They had not been gone more than half an hour when the girl thought she noticed a new stranger in the kitchen. She looked out and saw two men standing in the yard. When she opened the kitchen door one man was running through the room, evidently in search of something. The other man was concealed somewhere in the house.

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LAW'S VOLUNTARINESS.

Consisting of the Words of a Reference by the Motion.

The case of P. J. Creedon against J. N. H. Patrick is a good illustration of some of the possibilities of a law suit. The plaintiff contracted to build the Patrick home at Happy Hollow for \$85,000, but the plans were changed, and he now is suing for \$14,000 for extras. Mr. Patrick maintained that the extras only amounted to \$7,000, and Creedon began an action to recover. Then the parties to the dispute, with an expensive lawsuit in sight, agreed to let the matter go to a referee.

M. D. Hyde was selected and on August 3, 1892, the lawyers commenced taking testimony. With A. M. Hopkins acting in the capacity of stenographer, he sat for three days. The testimony was taken in a room in the city. The questions and answers fill 456 pages of legal copy paper, typewritten, and make a total of 1,300,800 words. Since the taking of testimony commenced, Creedon has been on the witness stand twenty-four days and his testimony alone fills 2,500 pages, making a total of 1,300,800 words. It is estimated that this hearing is likely to be continued six months longer.

COURT CULLINGS.

Crookedness Charged Against an Administrator.

When John Kendall died four years ago he left property valued at \$75,000, but there was neither widow nor child to receive it. A number of relatives in other places put in claims for the fortune, and Daniel Kendall, a half-brother of the deceased, was appointed administrator. Matters ran along until recently, when the executor of the estate filed a motion in probate court to compel the administrator to make an accounting. The petitioner alleges that the administrator has paid the sum of \$10,000 upon a bogus claim; that without requiring any proof, he has paid this money to his own son; that long before she had reason to remember it, for soon after she had retired for the night, her attention was attracted to an unusual noise in the kitchen, and thinking it was the cat, she went out to see what the animal was doing. When she opened the kitchen door one man was running through the room, evidently in search of something. The other man was concealed somewhere in the house.

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